

March 2, 1949.

The Honorable  
James Forrestal,  
Secretary of Defense,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Forrestal:

To facilitate the work of the Survey Group on our Intelligence organization, you very kindly made available to us the services of Robert Blum.

My associates, Mr. Correa and Mr. Jackson, join with me in expressing our great appreciation for what you did to assist in the work of our Group and we wish especially to pay tribute to the services rendered by Mr. Blum.

As Secretary of the Group and in charge of its staff, Mr. Blum was largely responsible for the assembling of the data and for the direction of our investigations. His intimate knowledge of intelligence problems as well as of the intelligence organizations of our Government was invaluable to us. I need not tell you what a tireless and devoted worker Mr. Blum is, as you know this already, but I did wish you to know and to make a matter of record our appreciation of the major contribution which Mr. Blum made to the work of our Group.

Faithfully yours,

ALLEN W. DULLES

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Mr. Correa  
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